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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The undersigned herewith requests the Examiner to consider the art listed in the attached Disclosure Statement (PTO 1449) in examination of the above referenced U.S. patent application.

DE 195 09 464 describes various features of the dependent claims (see figures and abstract).

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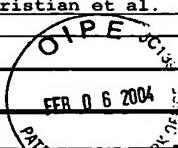
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